

Saskatchewan Provincial Emergency Operations Centre

Situation Report

Event: Trucker Freedom Convoy – Saskatchewan Legislative Building Demonstration

Location: Regina

Current as of: February 7th, 2022 18:30 hrs.

Notification Type: ☐ Initial ☒ Update ☐ Final

Notification #: 4

Pr-EOC Activation Level: 3b

Current Level	Operational Level Description
	Level 5 – Routine Operation, Local Response/Local or Municipal EOC activated
	Level 4 – Enhanced Operation, District Response/District EOC activated
X	Level 3b – Virtual Operation, Multi District Response (Key Ministries)/Pr-EOC activated
	Level 3a – Full Operation, Multi District Response (All Ministries)/Pr-EOC activated
	Level 2 – Provincial Response/Provincial EOC activated
	Level 1 – National/International Response/Provincial EOC activated

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IRONMENT

CURRENT SITUATION

- **Weather:** A few clouds. Wind southwest 20 km/h gusting to 40 becoming northwest 40 gusting to 60 near midnight. Low minus 2. Wind chill minus 11 overnight.
- A Trucker Freedom Convoy and protestor demonstration is occurring near the Saskatchewan Legislature buildings.
- The group is opposed to current COVID-19 mandates, and their intention is to occupy the space until a desirable resolution is reached.
- There are concerns regarding the occupation of the space, including traffic issues and potential public safety impacts.
- The Frost Festival is running concurrently in Regina from February 4th-10th.
- Agencies involved are the Regina Police Service, Provincial Capital Commission, Ministry of Government Relations, Ministry of Highways, Ministry of Environment, SaskBuilds and Procurement, and Saskatchewan Public Safety Agency.

- Regina Police Service (RPS) is Incident Command, with on scene commanders to report back to the Command Center, located at RPS Headquarters.
- Regina Emergency Measures Organization (EMO) is not currently activated.

Regina Police Service:

- Enforcement plan undertaken 7pm February 6th.
- Some people moved out on their own at the sight of tow truck.
- Most protestors left by midnight, while the event organizer remained.
- No indication that anyone has returned.
- Two tow truck companies were called to assist, but one left after the event organizer instructed friends to bombard the companies with calls.
- One company stayed on scene, and one vehicle was seized.
- Heavy hauler was on scene, but it was not needed.
- Words were exchanged with protestors, but no physical confrontation occurred.
- Approximately 20 RPS members; 14 crowd control, and 6-8 traffic members were on scene for the enforcement.
- 30 parking tickets, and a few Summary Offence Tickets were issued.
- RPS Media release went out the morning of February 7th.

Provincial Capital Commission:

- Getting staff through the entrance points went well this morning.
- Concrete barricades have opened up on Memorial Way and no significant delays on Avenue D.
- Conservation Officers and Highway Traffic Officers on scene today.

Ministry of Environment:

- Prepared to provide Conservation Officer staffing into the rest of the week, and beyond if necessary.
- Quiet day with no reported issues.

SaskBuilds and Procurement:

- Barricades will be in place until at least until the end of the week, and recommending they stay in place until the end of the Frost Festival, February 13th.
- City can augment with moving barricades if necessary.
- Entrance points went well today; no delays were experienced and received good feedback.

Ministry of Government Relations Communications:

- Lots of media calls overnight however, the news release answered lots of questions.
- Event organizer posted video stream of enforcement action.
- As decisions are made, internal communications may go out, but no public communications likely until the weekend.
- News release February 6th stated barricades will remain into the week.

Legislative Assembly

- Business as usual.
- LAS opposition working remotely February 7th.
- Protestor group appear to be very disorganized.

CRITICAL ISSUES/CHALLENGES/PROBLEMS

Provincial Capital Commission:

- The biggest challenge continues to be resources.
- Canada Post employee unhappy with the barricades as it impacted them doing their job.

SERVICE/STAKEHOLDER IMPACTS

Corrections, Policing and Public Safety

- SCAN members have a new appointment providing the authorities required to assist with the staffing of barricades.
- The Deputy Director of SCAN will contact the Sergeant of the Provincial Capital Commission Community Safety Officer (PCC CSO) Program for scheduling.

ANTICIPATED PRIORITIES

Provincial Capital Commission:

- Filling scheduling gaps.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

Provincial Capital Commission

- Scheduling into the week based on needs and what other resources are available.